

**City of Bloomington
Telecommunications Council
Business Meeting – April 2nd, 2013**

**Common Council Chambers
City Hall at the Showers Building
401 N. Morton St.**

I. Members Present: Thom Gillespie, Carl Zager, Duane Busick, and Eric Ost

Members Absent:

Note: There is one vacant position available on the Telecommunications Council.

II. Public Comment

Lennon Beasley

February 2013

- 4 New worship celebrations
- Rewind – Beasley Parties Alive a Live album. Performed with drums, guitar, piano, and organ. Lennon is also the lead singer. Video is made with three split screens.

March 2013

- Worked on Beasley Music Album Live Show making it into a TV show.
- Recorded the longest song ever, 37 mins/6seconds
- Recorded 2 more worship celebrations
- Recorded 2 Bowling Practice shows
- Completed TV Program Lennon Beasley Music Album Show.

II. Approval of Minutes:

Carl Zager motioned that the minutes from the February meeting be accepted. Duane seconded the motion. No discussion was held. Question was called, all were in favor.

IV. Reports and Announcements

1. Telecom Members: No reports

2. CATS – Martin O'Neil, CATS

* Monthly programming

February

*29 Community events, 30 Government meetings, 148 Patron programs, 7 PSA, 128 Duplications

* Still continuing with From the Old Archives, black and white reel to reel movies. We are still working on converting those over to digital. If anyone sees them and has information on the movies or people in them, please let CATS know.

Eric Ost – How many tapes are converted?

Martin O'Neil – Roughly around 100

Eric Ost – How many altogether?

Martin O'Neil – 300 to 400

Eric Ost – What if someone wanted to sponsor the conversion of some of the old archives, how would that happen?

Martin O'Neil – That would be most helpful.

Eric Ost – How much per tape?

Martin O'Neil – Depends on the length (0 to 30minutes = \$65, 31 minutes and up = \$90 to 100)

Eric Ost – Donations or sponsorship may help move that process along.

March

*33 Community events, 31 Government meetings, 128 Patron programs, 8 PSA, 105 Duplications

Thom Gillespie – Why do people get duplications?

Martin O'Neil – Many reasons. Like being able to see themselves on film, or collecting parts of history.

Thom Gillespie – Does CATS offer a service to the community for converting old media?

Eric Ost – Do you accept old videos into the collection?

Martin O'Neil – Yes, as long as everyone in it is good with the video being aired on TV.

Thom Gillespie – I was thinking of them creating more of a service to the community. People probably have lots of media that they can't view, and would love to have it transferred to a digital media.

Martin O'Neil - It is something we could look into to but we only have so many older machines that are working. Seeing that we have so much that needs to be converted, we would need to be careful of wear on the machines, and make sure that the materials at the library get converted.

Eric Ost – If someone adds materials to the collection. It certainly adds value to the collection/history. You could combine these steps into one process.

Duane Busick – Converting videos to digital is a very time consuming process. It is a great project, but the library just doesn't have the staff to complete such an overwhelming project.

3. WTIU – No report

V. Information from or about Video Service Provider - No Report

Franchise Fees 4th Quarter receipts were reported by Duane Busick.

AT & T - \$51, 464.00 (Up about \$3700 from the 4th quarter of the previous year)

Comcast - \$156,446.00 (Up about \$400 from the 4 quarter of the previous year)

VI. Old Business

In reference to the Eric Muhlberg letter from the previous month:

Eric Ost – They are going to arrange another meeting of the sub-committee to look into where money is going.

Carl Zager – We truly need to look into something locally to keep the service going, and fund it.

VII. New Business

Carl Zager – We need to continue to make contacts toward getting help on our proposal. This projects needs to get off the ground.

Thom Gillespie – Discussed a community cloud (information cloud). When working with a community cloud are the people going to control it, or will the government. This issue will face us sooner or later.

Duane Busick - Public access began as early as 1968. In 1973 the lease was signed for Ch. 7 for the sum of \$1.00.

Martin O'Neil – CATS began as BCAT but because there were so many contributing partners they actually developed BCAT, LCAT, and MCAT but all fall under the umbrella of CATS.

Thom Gillespie – We can see the changes coming. They are going to very rapid. They are happening in other places. Big question is, how do we synergize this?

Eric Ost – Who owns the access? This is a profound issue for the 21st century, as regulatory changes the manifest. Changes in what people expect versus what people can do, will be different.

VII. Adjournment

Thom Gillespie motioned for adjournment.

Next Regular Meeting

May 7th, 2013

Common Council Chambers in City Hall at the Showers Building

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